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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Donna R. Searcy, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Report of Ex Parte Communication MM Docket No. 87-268

Dear Ms. Searcy:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules, this is to report that exparte meetings were held on May 18 and 19, 1993, attended by one or more of the following representatives of the Community Broadcasters Association (CBA) and the Commission, concerning the above-referenced proceeding on the subject of advanced television systems:

CBA

Jud Colley, President
Sherwin Grossman, Secy.
D. J. Everett, Treasurer
Byron St. Clair, President,
TV Technology Corp.
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During these meetings, CBA representatives urged that the Commission direct the Office of Engineering and Technology to attempt to generate a table of ATV allotments that takes existing low power television authorizations into account and displaces low power TV stations only if there is no alternative for providing an ATV channel to a full power NTSC station which will actually operate in the ATV mode. In addition, the Commission should entertain petitions by low power television stations to change the ATV table of allotments once adopted, to avoid displacing low power TV stations, if the ATV table can be changed in conformance with whatever interference and/or mileage separation rules are ultimately adopted for ATV. Channels occupied by low power TV stations should in any event be the last ones activated for ATV use. Finally, a low power TV operator who is able to find a

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vacant channel suitable for its own ATV use should be authorized to operate in the ATV mode on that channel without competition from applicants seeking to construct new stations.

Very truly yours,

Peter Tannenwald

Counsel for the Community Broadcasters Association

cc: (all persons named above)